

REMARKS

The undersigned disagrees with the reasons for rejecting claims 7, 18, 20, 21, 52, 53, 56, 58, 60, and 61 in the above referenced Advisory Action and does not concede that these claims are unpatentable over the cited references. However, in an attempt to expedite prosecutions, these claims have been canceled. Accordingly, claims 8, 19, 22, 54, 57, and 59 are presently pending in this application. In the November 21, 2006, Office Action the Examiner indicated that independent claims 8 and 19 were allowable and that claims 22, 54, 57, and 59 contain allowable subject matter if rewritten in independent form. In the March 21, 2007, Amendment filed in response to that Office Action the undersigned noted that because claims 57 and 59 depend from allowable claims 8 and 19, claims 57 and 59 were allowable without being rewritten in independent form. Additionally, in the March 21, 2007, Amendment claims 22 and 54 were rewritten in independent form to include the features of the claims from which they depended.

The above referenced Advisory Action indicated that claims 8, 19, 22, 54, and 57 have been allowed. However, the Advisory Action was silent on the disposition of claim 59. Because the November 21, 2006, Office Action indicated that claim 59 contained allowable subject matter and because claim 59 depends from allowed claim 19, the undersigned assumes that the omission of claim 59 from the allowed claims in the above referenced Advisory Action was inadvertent. Accordingly, the undersigned believes that the present application is in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, the pending claims comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112 and are patentable over the applied art. The Applicants accordingly request reconsideration of the application and a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Tim Seeley at (206) 359-6477.

Respectfully submitted,
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